

**MINUTES OF THE  
SUMMIT CREEK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM ANNUAL MEETING  
February 27, 2003  
Smithfield, Utah**

The meeting convened at 3:30 p.m. with Jeff Gittins conducting. Minutes of the previous year's meeting were read by John Larsen of the Salt Lake Water Rights Office. There was one correction to the fifth paragraph which should read, "The state will begin assessing the distribution systems for this service beginning this year and increasing for the next two years after which the rate will level off." A motion was made by Dave Erickson to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Dean Clegg, all approved.

Mr. Lee Sim read the financial report for year 2002. The balance at the beginning of the year was \$2,896.53, receipts at \$6,028.02, expenditures at \$6,650.46 with the year end balance at \$2,274.09. There was only one account outstanding at \$377.70. This was the George Weeks account which is for a high water right. Jeff Gittins suggested because this account has been uncollectible, that the account be made inactive. A motion was made by Dave Erickson to accept the financial report and to make account 6 inactive, seconded by Dean Clegg, all approved.

Mr. Gittins then called for a report on the year's activities from commissioner Barry Foster. Mr. Foster began first by thanking everyone for cooperation last year due to low flows in the river. He will be retiring as river commissioner this year. He mentioned the measuring device on the black pipe did not take any readings this last of the year because of low flows. The Third South device on the upper canal is submerged about 3/4 of the time which results in incorrect readings. Hyde Park City installed a meter at the point where the city dumps water into the canal for the exchange. Robert Balls mentioned Hyde Park City is willing to provide well water to the irrigators as needed this coming year.

Recommendations and concerns by the commissioner are as follows: The Brickyard diversion device is not recording properly. The Benson well was only read twice last year for a total of 88 acre feet for the year and needs to be read monthly. A 1.0 cfs water right that has been delivered from a well to Smithfield Irrigation Co. is to be developed by Hyde Park City from Birch Springs. The new commissioner needs to measure the overflow from Smithfield City's supply to the canal.

It was brought to the attention of the commissioner that data on page thirteen of the commissioner's report from the Birch Well does not have to be reported. This page will be deleted from the report. A motion was made by Dave Erickson to accept the commissioner's report as corrected, seconded by Dean Clegg. All approved.

Mr. Gittins discussed the budget for the year 2003. A motion was made by Dave Erickson to raise the commissioner's salary to \$5,500.00, Social Security at \$421.00, travel at \$500.00, State Engineer's Assessment at \$345.00, Insurance Premiums to \$50.00, Telephone expense at \$150.00, Annual Report \$100.00, Equipment Expense at \$50.00, Miscellaneous Expense at \$50.00, for a total budget for the year to be at \$7,166.00, and the assessment set at \$6,000.00. Dean Clegg moved that the system purchase a cell phone for the new commissioner. This motion was seconded by

Robert Balls to purchase a cell phone and to accept the budget as proposed, the voting was unanimous.

The matter of a new commissioner was then discussed. A nomination was made by Dave Erickson for Clinton Aston to be the new commissioner, seconded by Dean Clegg, the voting was unanimous.

There was then discussion concerning the Distribution Order prepared by the Division of Water Rights on ground water sources. Copies of the order was passed to the group and reviewed by the water users. Monitoring the ground water use will require additional work by the commissioner. The commissioner was asked to keep track of the time he spends in his duties. Mr. Foster mentioned he spends about 40% of his total time on the Upper Canal, 60% on the rest of the system. The water users complimented him for work well done.

Dean Clegg then motioned to keep the board of directors the same as last year, with the exception of a new councilman representing Hyde Park City, Robert Balls. Seconded by Gary Hansen, all approved.

The board of directors is as follows:

Jeff Gittins	Chairman
Dave Erickson	Smithfield North Bench
Dean Clegg	Smithfield City
Robert Balls	Hyde Park City
Nick Galloway	Pumpers

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Those attending the meeting were as follows:

Name	Representing
Barry Foster	River Commissioner
O. Dean Clegg	Smithfield City
John S. Larsen	Division of Water Rights
Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights
Bob Fotheringham	Division of Water Rights
Gayla Foster	Division of Water Rights
Dave Erickson	North Bench Ditch Co.
Bob Simpson	Water User
Clinton Aston	River Commissioner
Charles Wheeler	Hyde Park City
Robert Balls	Hyde Park City
Jim Gass	Smithfield City
Brent Rose	Smithfield Irrigation Co.